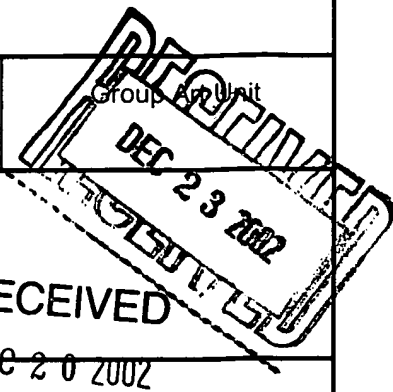
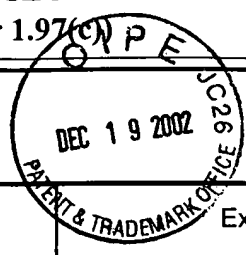


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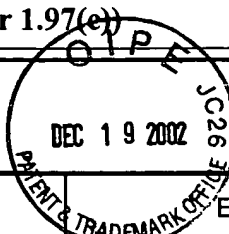
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European EP 0 718 996 relates to a radio system for a synchronous digital hierarchy network which has STM-4 structured signals transmitted via 4 STM-1 structured signals obtained via a byte interleaved demultiplexer.

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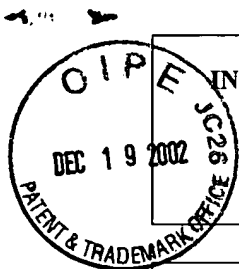
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